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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Koichi WATANABE et al.
Title: SPUTTERING TARGET
Appl. No.: 09/720,730
Appl. Filing Date: December 29, 2000
Examiner: S. Ip
Art Unit: 1742

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

☒ Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on April 12, 2004.

☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ___ but not considered.

☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ___.

☐ Other ___.

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03 FC:1460	130.00 DP

b. Enclosed are:

- ☐ Amendment/Reply.
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).

Miscellaneous:

- ☒ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of 3 months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$770.00	= \$770.00
Total Claims:	21	- 22	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents	5	- 5	= 0	x \$86.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$290.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$770.00

- ☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00		\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00		\$950.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:				\$950.00
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:				- \$420.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL				\$530.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:				\$1300.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$130.00
TOTAL FEE:				\$1430.00

- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$0.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$1430.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37.C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date May 14, 2004

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